### Possible First Ladies of the

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Mong candidates for the exalted station of "first lady of the iand" (for the 1913-17 term) there are, besides Mrs. Taft, seven American women who now loom upon the political horizon as "possibilities," to say the least.

All of them, like Mrs. Tatt, are women of great culture. An appreciable share of their husband's chances for success in the race for the presidential nomination depends upon their own tact, diplomacy and churm. The lofty rank to which their husbands wish to elevate them is not reached entirely through the accident of marriage.

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A vast source of many a great man's power is the virtuous, contented and industrious consort who quickens his idealism and reflects upon him that peace, tranquillity and calin which oils the wheels of effort. The most sordid and banal of practical politicians will admit the priceless value of a Dolly Madison on a Frances Cieveland as an asset to the presidential candidate.

Scholar and Book Reviewer.

Two names now familiar to readers of the current newspapers and periodicals are Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and Mrs. Wilson Woodrow, Eeach of these ladies is both scholar and writer, although the name of the former is seen more often in the body of a published article than at the top. As the wife of the Governor of New Jersey and one of the most active candidates for the presidential nomination, she is better known than for her literary works, which have nearly all been anonymous contributions to the deeper magazines—book reviews mostly and lottings which have been inspired more by the love of industry than the love of glory. Like the husband, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson is a scholar by finstinct, and a full quarter-century spent at his side, when he was college professor and college president, has left her keen intellect sharp. During all of these years when she lived in college towns and participated in the intellectual life of college faculities she has kept abreast of the deeper problems that interested the world of art, science and lotters. As a Greek and Lstin scholar she has developed a special penchant, and she can browse through current fiction in Eag-



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mod-ern de-tec-tive mys-ter-ies.

Do you wish to hear the un-

His par-ents were named Mr.

And yet he does.

Let er go, Professor!

graph-y?

reared upon the farm of her father, Jeel D. Bennett, of Callaway county, Mo., and received her early education from her sister, who was thacehr at the neighboring schoolhouse. She confesses to having grown up as a "rather bookish" young woman, and this was in the days before her marriage, when she shared her sister's calling and, like Mrs. Taft, tagght school for a time.

In a neighboring town a young man then known as James Beauchamp Clark (but who has since amputated his front name and mutilated The second name) was also engaged in teaching school, practicing law and running a newspaper.

They were married thirty-one years ago, at which time the future Speaker began to run for Congress, which he reached a dozen years later.

Mrs. Clark, like Mrs. Wilson, has been a writer. Until her husband became conspicuous in public affairs sne contributed to the newspapers and magazines, and at the same time card for her bables and became an authority on fine contervance of the confinements. for her bables and became an authority on fine cookery—one so high, indeed, that her recipes for delicacles are now in wide demand. At her rambling country home, Honeyshuck, at Bowling Green, Mo., she dispenses hospitality throughout the summer months to her husband's political friends from far and near, and this sort of entertaining is a test of any wife's tact and social endurance.

Possible White House Debutants.

Possible White House Debutante. Within a few days of Champ Clark's first election to Congress there arrived in the household a little daughter, who was given her mother's name, Genevieve Bennett. This bright child us since been her mother's inesparable companion and is now seventeen. Should her father be elected to the highest office, she would be just of highest office, she would be just of debutante agd upon taking up her abode in the White House. She inherits love of books from both parents, and, like her mother, she can cook like a veteran. She and her older brother, Bennett, who is now a student of the University of Missouri, have been reared according to their mother's original theories as to development of responsibility and self-control. They select their own clothes, plan their own holidays and study their lessons in their own time, parental intervention being employed only in cases of very apparent bad judgment. As a result they have developed self-reliance and studious habits.



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tive!

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with Brains.



# THE GREAT MAN'S PRIMER PITTOT

H SEE the open-faced man ro-man-tic cuss like Sher-lock, read like nickel fic-tion.

When he went to school he was far-seeing ar-ran-ge-ment, as it Bill's life reads like a page the on-ly boy in his class who leaves nobody i-dle. with the car-rot col-ored my Sher-lock. This Johnnie has mus-trache!

no more poe-sy a-bout him than Review There is not a Sher- Carter and Old Sleuth. Much of Re-view. There is not a Sher- Carter and Old Sleuth. Much of A-gent when you see one? lock in his head of hair. He his lat-er suc-cess can be traced That's the sad thing a-bout wouldn't know a de-duction if he to that fact.

tective to take Romance out of stick of dy-na-mite. He is no de-vel-oped an em-bar-ras-sing his air of se-cre-tive-ness. For it the pro-fess-ion and sup-ply it friend of Old Doc Wat-son. He ha-it of de-tecting the weak point Secret Ser-vice men should come with Brains.

| does not take dope. His only in Teacher's argu-ment. For in- upon one un-ob-serv-ed, who Maybe he has had a fas-cin-a- bad hab-it is chew-ing gum. He stance, during ge-o-gra-phy les- knows what em-bar-rassing sit-uting life, in spite of his ap-pear- says he would rath-er chew the sons she would ask:

But a De-tec-tive should be a ance. Most de-tec-tives' lives gum than wear it in his shoes. "Wil-liam, can you name the How Bill Burns ev-er de-tects any-thing is one of the great-est co?"

in-ter-est-ing facts of his bi-o- be-fore your face."

Wil-liam's moth-er, who was cret Ser-vice.

de-tecting the jam. Al-most immed-i-ate-ly the par-ent-al slipper im-plant-ed the first les-son
in Good Govern-ment upon Wilin Good Govern-ment upon W

Can you tell a Sec-ret Ser-vice

Ev-ery time. That is the charm about the beast. You can spot Bill Burns. He is the first de- saw one coming at him with a Yet he was ev-er a-lert. He him as far as you can see him by a-tions they might cause?

But Wil-liam did not play the ten prin-ci-pal cit-ies of Mex-i- game fair. He turned sleuth-ing co?" from an Art into a Bus-i-ness. "I can not," re-plied the hon-est. He went a-obut col-lect-ing facts lad. "And neith-er could you, if with the same mech-an-ical obyou didn't have the book op-en stin-acy with which Frank Hitchcock col-lects cam-paign con-tri-The bright child be-came butions. This hab-it made him teach-er's pet, did he not? . . so un-pop-u-lar that he was sent He did, I don't think. Short-ly away from there. When next! and Mrs. Burns, as the name im- after this es-ca-pade Wil-liam de- seen he was on the Pa-ci-fic Men, Murderers and Phil-an-nals? plies. At the age of one year Wil- tected the President of the School Coast pur-su-ing wick-ed graft- throp-ists. All crimes sound No. He just holds them with liam be-gan creep-ing under fur- Board holding Teach-er's hand, crs. He has since played all the alike to him. He can detect the his cap-ti-vat-ing smile and air ni-ture and de-tect-ing pins, This was the first po-li-ti-cal big towns in the country and clicking of an infernal machine of con-vic-tion. which he swal-lowed as evi- scan-dal un-earthed by Mr. many of the one-night stands, or a political machine with equal We not-iced his air of con-vice dence. Later in his youth-ful ca- Burns. En-couraged by his suc- When De-toc-tive Burns strikes accuracy. And he is the first tion in re-cent Los Angeles verreer he de-tec-ted the place in the cess, he took his fam-i-ly to a State they be-gin build-ing an man on the grounds after the ex- dicts. cellar where the jam was stored. Wash-ing-ton and joined the Se- annex on the Pen-i-ten-ti-ary, plosion.





He turned slouth-ing from an Art into a Bus-i-ness

Wil-liam's mother, who was cret Ser-vice.

al-so a de-tec-tive, de-tec-ted Why did Wil-liam go to WashWil-liam just as Wil-liam was ing-ton to join the Sec-ret Ser
de-tecting the jam. Al-most int- vice?

Wil-liam's mother, who was cret Ser-vice.

pre-par-a-tory to a full house.

Many of our great De-tect-ives of every crim-in-al in the Units

tis-ties?

Indeed, Teacher, we have

.Have you gather-ed a les-son

## year Wil-liam be-gan creep-ing under i de-tect-ing plus, which he swal-lowed as cri-dence